Master of Arts in Teaching in Special Education (M.A.T.) Adapted Curriculum Cognate Career and Technical Education – Transition and Special Needs UNIVERSITY. THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

(Add-On Endorsement)

2023-2024 Degree Completion Plan

After completion of the required program coursework (including student teaching), content competencies (if applicable), and the passing of licensure tests, the graduate of this program would be eligible for a VA state teaching license.

CORE COURSES (15 hours)			<u>Sem</u>	<u>Grade</u>
EDLC 504	Educational Philosophy & Theories of Learning	3		
EDLC 623	Principles of Behavior Management	3		
EDSP 521	Foundations of Exceptionality	3		
EDSP 522	Special Education & Disability Law	3		
EDSP 622	Assessment & Evaluation in Special Education	3		
SPECIAL EI	OUCATION ADAPTED CURRICULUM COGNATE (15 hours)			
EDLC 651	Language & Literacy for Diverse Populations	3	-	
EDSP 519	Characteristics & Medical Aspects of Severe Disabilities	3		
EDSP 525	Transition & Assessment for Exceptional Learners ^{1,2}	3		
EDSP 529	Employment, Community, & Independent Living	3		
EDSP 534	Individualized Programming & Curriculum ^{2,3}	3		
GATE & FIE	CLD EXPERIENCE COURSES (0 hours)			
EDGT 520	School of Education Gate 1 – MAT Initial Licensure	0		
EDGT 560	School of Education Gate 2 – MAT Initial Licensure	0		
EDGT 580	School of Education Gate 3 – MAT Initial Licensure ⁴	0		
EDSP 588	Initial Licensure Practicum in Special Education I ^{2,3}	0		
EDSP 688	Initial Licensure Practicum in Special Education II ^{1,2}	0		
STUDENT T	EACHING COURSES (6 hours)			
EDST 587	The Reflective Practitioner: Resource Seminar – Special Education ²	3		
	2,4,5	3		
	TOTAL HOURS	36		

Graduation Requirements

Complete 36 hours

A maximum of 50% of the program hours may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level

3.0 GPA

No more than two grades of C may be applied to the degree (includes grades of C+ &

No grade of D or below may be applied to the degree (includes grades of D+ & D-) Degree must be completed within 5 years

Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

Offered in Online Format

All applicable prerequisites must be met

All practicum courses should be completed before student teaching, and students should not complete practicum courses during the summer semester

¹EDSP 525 must be taken in the same semester as EDSP 688

²Background check clearance required (EDSP 525, 534, 588, 688, EDST 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, or 569)

³EDSP 534 must be taken in the same semester as EDSP 588

⁴Candidates will be assigned one of the following: EDST 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, or 569. Course and section number will be designated during Gate 3 Application

⁵International candidates seeking a "student visa" to study in residence in the U.S. may use EDST 561 and 563 to count as part of their residency requirement Suggested Course Sequence on second page

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SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

First Semester			Second Semester	
EDLC 504 (B-Term)		3	EDSP 519 (B-Term)	3
EDGT 520 (B-Term)		0	EDSP 622 (B-Term)	3
EDGT 560 (D-Term)		0	EDLC 651 (D-Term)	<u>3</u>
EDSP 521 (D-Term)		<u>3</u>	Total	9
	Total	6		
Third Semester			Fourth Semester	
EDSP 588 (A-Term) ^{1, 2}		0	EDSP 688 (A-Term) ^{1, 2}	0
EDLC 623 (B-Term)		3	EDGT 580 (B-Term) ^{1,3}	0
EDSP 534 (B-Term) ^{1,2}		3	EDSP 525 (B-Term) ^{1,2}	3
EDSP 522 (D-Term)		<u>3</u>	EDSP 529 (B-Term)	3
	Total	9	Total	6
Fifth Semester				
EDST 56_ (A-Term) ^{1, 2}		3		
EDST 587 (B-Term) ^{1,2}		3		
	Total	6		

Notes

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²Background check clearance required

³Should be taken the semester before student teaching